

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS:

During Father's Appreciation Month, the City of Miami Gardens and The Fatherhood Task Force of South Florida recognizes the unique and valuable contribution that fathers, father figures and male role mentors make to strengthen families and communities; and

WHEREAS:

The City of Miami Gardens and The Fatherhood Task Force acknowledges the importance of consistent father involvement prenatally through adulthood as it contributes positively to the pregnancy outcome and the continuous emotional and physical health of the child; and

WHEREAS:

The City of Miami Gardens and The Fatherhood Task Force recognizes the role that fathers play in shaping children's minds academically and socially for the betterment of societal life and major institutions in our neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS:

Fathers represent different cultures and are racially, ethnically and socially diverse bringing a wealth of family traditions and an appreciation of sacrifices made to enhance the fabric of Miami-Dade County and its major institutions; fathers have the potential for personal growth as they work through their life challenges and recognize their strengths as parents in raising children; and

WHEREAS:

The City of Miami Gardens and The Fatherhood Task Force of South Florida supports continued facilitation for the involvement of fathers in the lives of children and contributes to the strength of the fatherhood movement.

NOW, Therefore, Be it resolved, that I, Shirley Gibson, Mayor of the City of Miami Gardens, Florida, along with my colleagues of the City Council: Vice Mayor Aaron Campbell Jr., and Council members Lisa C. Davis, André Williams, Felicia Robinson, David Williams Jr., and Oliver G. Gilbert III, on behalf of the residents, do hereby proclaim the month of June as:

FATHER'S APPRECIATION MONTH

in the City of Miami Gardens, Florida. We urge our residents to join with us as we recognize the efforts of the Fatherhood Task Force of South Florida and the Children's Trust in acknowledging the strengths of fathers and their positive impact on children's welfare every day.

Signed and the Official Seal of the City of Miami Gardens, Florida, affixed hereto this 6th day of June, 2011.

Shirley Gibson, Mayor

Attest:

Ronetta Taylor, MMC, City Clerk